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NEBRASKA CATTLE ON FEED DOWN 2 PERCENT

LINCOLN, Neb., June 20, 2008 -- Nebraska feedlots, with capacities of 1,000 or more head, contained 2.25 million cattle on feed on June 1, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Nebraska Field Office. The inventory was down 2 percent from last year but 6 percent above June 1, 2006.

Placements in feedlots during May totaled 370,000 head, down 5 percent from 2007 but 9 percent above 2006.

Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 480,000 head, down 4 percent from last year and 8 percent below May two years ago. Other disappearance during May totaled 20,000 head, the same as 2007 and 2006.

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Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States, for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head, totaled 10.8 million head on June 1, 2008. The inventory was 4 percent below June 1, 2007 and 3 percent below June 1, 2006.

Placements in feedlots during May totaled 1.90 million, 12 percent below 2007 and slightly below 2006.

Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 2.14 million, 3 percent above 2007 but 1 percent below 2006. Other disappearance totaled 80,000 during May, 19 percent below 2007 and 30 percent below 2006.

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